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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, August 31, 1998, at 12 noon.

House of Representatives

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 1998

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GOODLATTE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, August 6, 1998.

I hereby designate the Honorable BOB GOODLATTE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Of all Your blessings that touch our hearts, O God, and of all the gifts with which You sanctify the issues we face, we pray that from our lips will come words of thanksgiving and praise and from our hands deeds of gratitude and appreciation. In the Psalms we read that we are to serve You with gladness and come before Your presence with singing and thanksgiving.

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Grant, O loving God, that whatever our circumstance or place in life, we will remember to begin our days with words of praise and end each night in the spirit of thanksgiving. With hearts of gratitude, we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. BALLENGER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. BALLENGER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

GRANTING MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE PRIVILEGE TO EXTEND REMARKS IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW

Mr. BALLENGER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that for today, August 6, 1998, and tomorrow, Friday, August 7, 1998, all Members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the RECORD entitled "Extensions of Remarks"

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the Senate bill (S. 1379) to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, and the National Security Act of 1947 to require disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act regarding certain persons, disclose Nazi war criminal records without impairing any investigation or prosecution conducted by the Department of Justice or certain intelligence matters, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the question of the gentleman from California?

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I do not plan to object, I yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. HORN) for a brief explanation of this legislation.

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. MALONEY) for yielding. The gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. MALONEY) is author of the House version of this important legislation.

Over a half a century after the Nazi era, the United States Government continues to keep secret much of the information it has on Nazi war criminals. It is imperative that this information receive full scrutiny by the public. Only through an informed understanding of the Nazi era and its

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